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| <b>Title:</b>                                     | ) |                      |                       |
| <b>BATTERY COOLING</b>                            | ) |                      |                       |
| <b>STRUCTURES AND</b>                             | ) |                      |                       |
| <b>METHODS</b>                                    | ) |                      | <b>23448</b>          |

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**RESPONSE TO JANUARY 11, 2008 OFFICE ACTION IN U.S. PATENT APPLICATION  
NO. 10/767,108**

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Sir:

This responds to the January 11, 2008 Office Action in the above-identified application.

In the January 11, 2008 Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 between:

- Claims 1-19, drawn to the thermal management system, classified in class 429, subclass 71.
- Claims 20-31, drawn to the battery cover, classified in class 429, subclass 175.
- Claims 32 and 33, drawn to the method of thermally managing, classified in class 429, subclass 120.